

Ironton, Missouri,  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 1918

WILLIAM RUSSELL  
—IN—  
"New York"

Jerry Comedy  
THURSDAY, AUG. 8  
Admission, 10c and 15c.

JACK PICKFORD and LOUISE HUFF  
—IN—  
"The Varmint"

Ford Weekly  
SATURDAY, AUG. 10  
Admission, 10c and 15c.

DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS  
—IN—  
"Down to Earth"

Tuesday, August 13th.  
Admission, 11c and 17c.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Vacation's end is near.  
Probate court next week.  
When will that rain come?  
Some home-grown cantaloupes.  
The wells and cisterns are failing.  
Mighty dusty on Arcadia Heights.  
The plenties have been few this season.

The quietest primary election ever known in these parts.  
W. D. Fletcher shipped a car of sheep to St. Louis Monday night.  
Miss Irma Summa has organized a class in dancing at "Shady Nook."

The Salvation Army drive is progressing most satisfactorily in Iron county.

For actual fighting and real war "The German Curse in Russia" is the best ever.

A card has been received from Lt. Walter D. Kendal announcing his arrival in France.

What would Main street have been the past month without the oil? Perhaps the thought!

Occasionally an automobile, with its load of "drys," wends its way from the valley to Weingarten.

Big patriotic meeting on Arcadia Heights Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Everybody attend.

Dr. H. W. Gay of Ironton expects to be summoned to the Medical Corps of the army within the next month.

Word has been received from Elias Nichols announcing his safe arrival overseas. He sends best wishes to all inquiring friends.

Good roads meeting at the Upper Crane Pond schoolhouse next Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. All interested are urged to attend.

The Local Board received orders Tuesday to entrain thirteen men for Camp Funston, during the five day period beginning August 26th.

A collection of \$230 was taken up in the Arcadia Parish the past week to help the Sisters in furnishing the new buildings at Arcadia College.

For Sale—The M. Ruble store building and residence property in Des Arc, Mo. Mrs. T. M. ANGEL, Piedmont, Mo.

The county court Monday awarded Lee Usher the contract for furnishing forty cords of wood for the courthouse and jail at \$1 a cord. There were no other bids.

In conformity with the requirements of the law 20,000 ballots were provided for the primary election. It is very doubtful if one in twenty of them was used on election day.

D. E. Fletcher went to St. Louis last Thursday and brought home three Ford cars. Edgar says Fords are few and far between and mighty hard to get hold of these days.

Three men will be entrained for Jefferson Barracks, Mo., on August 8: Montie Celo Stephens, Bellevue; Louis Alexander Eldridge, Vulcan; Wilbur Dyer, Goodwater.

The light service failed for a while on last Thursday and Saturday nights—much to the annoyance of the public in general, and attendants on the picture show, in particular.

Misses Helen and Kathryn Dameron, who have been visiting in Ironton the past two weeks, were entertained by a number of friends at the home of Miss Alice Pruitt, July 29th.

Former Postmaster M. W. Daugherty left last Thursday for Montana to look after some landed interest. He says he will be back to eat Christmas dinner with us. Good luck to him!

We regret to announce that owing to the draft, it will be impossible for Mr. Stindel to come to town. The "Red Cross" program at Summa's has been rearranged and will take place August 12, 8:30 P. M. In case of rain, August 14.

You can learn more about the war by seeing "The German Curse in Russia," at the Academy Theatre, Friday, August 9th, than you could by reading everything that has been written about it.

County Court was in session Monday. Because of the primary election on Tuesday adjournment was made Monday evening until Saturday when the business of the term will probably be completed.

W. T. Keathley was Monday awarded the county farm and care of the paupers for three years by the county court. The rent of the farm is \$200 a year. \$12 a month is paid for the care of the paupers.

The Local Board entrained two more "Limited Service" men for Syracuse, N. Y., on the 5th inst. They were:

James William Mayberry, Goodwater.

George Andrew Tiefenauer, Mungler.

In response to petitions presented by the voters of Union Township the County Court Monday made an order that an election be held in said township on Saturday, August 31st, for the purpose of voting on a proposition to bond the township for \$35,000 for road purposes.

Among those from here attending the Baptist Assembly at Arcadia Heights are Rev. Cunningham and family, Rev. A. C. Jones and family, Miss Anna Menge, Miss Ethel Menge, Miss LeVetra Mitchell, Miss Edith Davis, Miss Marie Thomsen, Mrs. O. J. Mayberry and Elbert Menge.—Farmington News.

An alarm of fire was raised at the home of Judge E. M. Dearing last Friday morning about 10 o'clock, but the blaze was quickly extinguished by neighbors who responded to the alarm, and damage was slight. A lighted and uncontrolled oil stove in the kitchen was the cause of the blaze.—Potosi Journal.

Bismarck Gazette: "Prof. and Mrs. G. W. Signer of Potosi were in Bismarck Saturday and while here Prof. Signer met with the Board of Education and signed a contract in which he becomes Superintendent of the schools the coming year. This will be good news to the patrons of the school. The two years that Prof. Signer had charge of the school were the best in the history of the school."

Thos. N. Marr Tuesday received a telegram announcing the death of his brother-in-law, J. W. Lay, at his home in St. Louis that morning at five o'clock. Mr. Marr went to St. Louis that afternoon and will attend the funeral Wednesday. The deceased was probably fifty years of age, was long a resident of Bellevue, having removed to St. Louis about fifteen years since. He is survived by a widow and two sons, who have much sympathy in their bereavement.

To my good and long-time friend, Mr. M. S. Hogue, of Holcomb, Mo.—but formerly a Vallegian—I am indebted for seventy-five pounds of Dunklin county watermelon, sent me by express last week. There were two melons, and their "meat" was red, sweet and luscious. Did we enjoy the fruit? Go to, young man, and ask no vain questions. The taste of those melons will abide in memory until melon season comes again. The future may bring as good, but none can be better.

The drouth continues and the temperature has been excessively high, night and day, for nearly a week. The high point recorded on Saturday, Sunday and Monday was 107, 109 and 105; Tuesday was about the same, and apparently there is no relief in sight this (Wednesday) morning. It has been two months since we had a real rain and vegetation is literally burned up. Gardens are gone, the meadows and lawns burning wastes, and the corn shriveled and twisted. In this immediate vicinity there will be no corn at all.

United States Senator Wilfley made a brief talk at the courthouse last Thursday morning. He came here unannounced on his way from the Lead Belt to Piedmont where he made a speech that afternoon. Owing to the fact that no notice of his visit here had been given, there was no large audience to greet him. But those present heard a masterly speech from a masterly man. It was the first time we ever had the honor of hearing the gentleman, and we go on record right here as saying that if he hasn't got the stuff in him from which Statesmen are made then we miss our guess. To compare him with one Josephus Wingate Folk was placing the mountain along side the mole hill.

To the Parents of the Soldier Boys.

The families of men in the Service of our country are invited to call and receive information about allotments and allowances, insurance, etc. If any are worried about their soldier or sailor boy or about some personal matters the Home Service Section can help them. We try to help the boy in the Service by helping his family back home. Let us help you! The Iron County Home Service Section, B. N. BROWN, Chairman, ELLA F. MCKEE, Executive Sec'y.

PERSONAL.

J. E. Grandhomme was in St. Louis Monday.

A. L. Bond of Mann was a caller last week.

C. L. Collins of Sabula was in Ironton Monday.

Mr. J. G. Chilton returned from Piedmont Tuesday.

F. A. Twomey of Bismarck was in Ironton Sunday.

Clark Reagan came home from St. Louis Sunday.

E. E. Evans was in St. Louis Monday on business.

Mrs. Chas. King and children have returned from Louisiana, Mo.

H. A. Nall, wife and daughter arrived from Jefferson City Tuesday.

Circuit Clerk Hawkins will attend the State Fair in Sedalia next week.

Mr. H. A. Knapp was in Ironton Monday, returning to St. Louis Tuesday.

Miss Winifred Trauernicht of St. Louis is visiting her grandparents in Ironton.

Miss Orpha Davis returned from Warrensburg last week and has gone to Cape Girardeau.

Miss Myra Whitworth arrived from St. Louis Tuesday on a visit to Miss Alice Pruitt and other relatives.

Mr. L. D. Kingsland of St. Louis has been the guest of Mr. Wm. H. Thompson at "Valley Home" the past week.

Miss Mary Reagan returned home Thursday from a two weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. W. L. Laules, in St. Louis.

Miss Hazel Evans is spending several days as the guest of her aunt, Mrs. A. C. Crews of Flat River, and Miss Lorraine Carr of Elvins.

Prof. McKinney, who has been keeping books for the Simmons Hardware Company, St. Louis, during vacation, was with his family Sunday.

Mrs. M. F. Roth and two children returned to their home in Illinois, Mo., Monday, after spending several days with Mr. Otto Lueddecke and family, near Pilot Knob.

Junk Wanted.

Scrap iron at 60c per cwt; old rags at \$1.50 per cwt; old rubber at \$2 to \$12 per cwt; old rope at \$2 per cwt; metals from \$1 to \$12 per cwt; Boots—May Apple at 4c per lb; blood root at 10c per lb. J. T. GRIFFIN, Ironton, Mo.

The Primary Election.

The St. Louis papers Wednesday morning state that Folk has defeated Wilfley for the Democratic nomination for U. S. Senator. Wilfley carried the cities but Folk's manager claims the country vote will show up strong for him. In Iron County a light vote was polled. Up to Wednesday morning returns had been received from only five precincts—Ironton, Arcadia, Pilot Knob, Graniteville and Bellevue. The total vote at Ironton was 139—101 Democratic and 38 Republican. Wilfley and Folk are running close in the county, as are Brewster and Dameron for Congress. The total primary vote in the county will hardly exceed 400.

The indications are that Arthur T. Brewster is nominated for Congress. Spencer has probably won the Republican nomination for U. S. Senator.

Our Soldier Boys.

A few letters have begun to come across the seas to the friends of the soldier boys, the first time in weeks. It encourages the others who have loved ones there to hope that they too will soon hear. The casualty list is often a month old before it reaches here; consequently these are anxious days for many hearts of the readers of this paper, as well of the many other mothers and fathers in the country.

A letter has been received in the last few days from Lieut. Lee Petit Gay dated June 16. He says: "After receiving my commission, I was ordered into active service on June 8th and came to my present location for instruction. Where we go from here we do not know, nor do I care so long as I stay with the A. E. F. I left Base Hospital No. 21 June 13th, just 366 days after my arrival. Just a solid year of very hard work and no leave. When my leave came it consisted of the travel by train and sixteen hours in Paris, which I certainly enjoyed to the utmost. The first thing I did was to go to a good hotel and engage a room with a bath and a bed a foot deep. Just had to get upon it and try it. Just imagine your feelings if you had not slept upon a bed for thirteen months. One of my friends and I sallied forth to see the town. We bought a taxiab and guide book and told the driver to allez vous. Allez he did and we saw the Invalides, tomb of Napoleon, Notre Dame and many other places of interest. How I did enjoy it. I have never felt so carefree and reckless—that is until I paid the taxi bill. About the first thing I saw in Paris was our old commandant of cadet corps at M. U. I had no opportunity to speak to him then, but saw him next day on the train. We got up at the crack of dawn to get our train, so we bid goodbye with regret and turned our faces to duty." Lieut. Gay's period at the school is now up and he is most probably attached to some unit of the A. E. F.

Captain George Gay writes under date of July 4th: "To-day as usual has been a great day. The artillery and infantry were pulling off a field day, so we of the cavalry had a mounted field day in competition. I ran one of my horses in the flat race and was beaten by my horse shoer in the last lap. Heard him yell, 'Come on, Captain,' as he sailed around on the stretch. I was the last to leave the barrier in the steeple-chase and at the second jump was third. At the last jump I led by twenty yards. I was beaten on the stretch again, but this time because my horse stepped in a hole and pitched on his head." Captain Gay also reports good news for his squadron—another move.

Private L. R. Robinson, Co. K, 138th Infantry, A. E. F., writes some time in June: "We are enjoying life fine. Expect to go in the trenches soon. We have plenty of drilling. Shoot a little too. Rains nearly every day. Have a hard time keeping our guns from rusting. This is some country over here. I do not want to live here, that is if it was given my choice between home and here. The customs are so different. It is not a hard language to learn, except the words are often pronounced different from the way they are spelled. Be sure and tell all the boys, hello!"

Ed Heider writes again from Camp Shelby: "We get the very best of treatment and everything good to eat. We have to work hard, but after we get accustomed to the heat down here we get along all right. I am playing ball every day and we now have one of the best regimental teams in this division. There are 14 teams in our league. Old Kid Everfield of the Washington University is our division coach and he sure keeps the players moving when on the field. Our team is picked to win the pennant if we stay here long enough to finish the series. There is some talk of our leaving here about the last of the month."

Private Duncan M. Robertson after spending over three weeks at Jefferson Barracks Hospital is about ready to go back to the Washington University again. He says peeling potatoes from 7 to 11 is not so much fun as you think. In one of his letters of last week he says: "All of the fellows but the ones stationed here are expected to leave here this week. Seven train loads left to-day. They expect to have between five and ten thousand men here by the 5th of August. I see so many of the Iron county boys and also other people from home. I saw Frank Rosentreter and Ed Huggins last week. We sure do get lots of good things to eat and a good place to sleep."

Several letters were received this week from John R. Boswell, who is with the 138th Infantry, "Some where in France." He is well and happy, and likes France very much. Since July 15 Walter H. Fisher, Jr., has been in the Training Detachment at Washington University. Besides military training he is taking a course in electricity.

The Baptist Assembly.

The Missouri Baptist Assembly on Arcadia Heights closed the first week of its 1918 session on Tuesday evening. The registered attendance (those paying the \$1.00 ground fees) approximates 75 per cent. of the attendance of last year, which is regarded as remarkably good, present conditions considered.

The Assembly Faculty is complete, and was never composed of men and women with higher qualifications—every member is a specialist in his or her line of work. A large majority of the campers are taking the class work. They come for the purpose of getting the very best and they are getting it. Dr. Abernathy, the Assembly Pastor, is much loved by all. His sermons reach the heart, and no one can hear these soul-stirring messages without a resolve to strive for the higher and nobler things of life.

The sermon last Sunday morning was a masterpiece, after which pledges and cash offerings were taken, amounting to \$1500.00, to apply on paying for the new cottages and girls' dormitory, which cost \$2200.00. It is expected to raise the entire amount by next Sunday.

The social features of the Assembly are ably looked after by Mr. Arthur Flake, of Mississippi, and Miss Winters and others from Kansas City.

Mr. Linder and Mr. Nash of St. Louis and Webster Groves have charge of the athletics and sports. The program at the swimming pool last Saturday was both entertaining and highly ludicrous. "Sirens of the Deep," "Crossing the Rhine" and "Capturing the Submarine" were prominent features.

It is planned to have a grand patriotic rally at the tabernacle next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Everybody come and bring your neighbors and friends.

Des Arc Items.

We are still having dry weather. There will be very little corn raised, and it will be hard on the farmers. There will be a shortage of potatoes also. Pastures have burned up and wells are going dry. We need rain badly.

Quite a crowd went from here to Piedmont Thursday to hear Senator Wilfley speak. Train No. 4 stopped here that evening to let them off on their return that evening.

E. W. Fitz is in Arkansas this week on business.

Mrs. Olive Holcomb and nephew, Ralph Stevenson, arrived here Friday

"The German Curse in Russia"  
WAR PICTURES

Taken by DONALD C. THOMPSON,  
Dare-Devil War Photographer.

IT would be impossible to exaggerate the significance of such a compilation of views as has been here assembled by Donald C. Thompson.

These five reels of film undoubtedly contain as much live history in the making as any that have been taken during the war. They constitute an invaluable record of affairs in Russia from the beginning of the war in August, 1914, showing scenes attending the establishment of the Russian Republic, and then the sad demoralization which followed upon the heels of German treachery and propaganda. There are actual fighting scenes taken at great risk by the photographer. Men are shown in the trenches at close quarters with the enemy, many of them falling under fire. No effort has been made to soften the stern realism of war, and views of the dead and dying are shown. Also, instances of special heroism, as where one private carries his wounded captain off the field on his back.

The eager student of current history will be particularly grateful to Captain Thompson for the actual information the reels contain. There are thrills and horrors without number, but these are of secondary importance compared to the grasp it gives the observer of tremendous events as they have been occurring. The sight of the vast throngs in the streets of Petrograd, first under one set of circumstances and then under another, until the people have lost all power of logical thought, is one not soon to be forgotten. It is easy to understand how Germany, possessing the only organized existent force in Petrograd, was able to undermine the heroic work of Kerensky and the faithful Battalions of Death.

It is impossible to enumerate all of the important scenes in this collection of views. Among them are the destruction of a U-boat and other vessels under fire, the fraternizing on the front which deceived Russian soldiers, and the later efforts to retake lost trenches. The Battalion of Death in action.

See It! Don't Miss It!

Academy Theatre, Ironton, Friday, August 9

Admission: CHILDREN, 15c; ADULTS, 25c. Including War Tax.

from Alexandria, La. Lieut. Holcomb has been ordered to France and his wife will visit here with her parents until his return.

Mrs. Ed. Maddock and little son from Hoxie, Arkansas, are visiting relatives here. Her little daughter, Elizabeth, who has been visiting her grandmother and aunt here for the past two weeks, will return home with her.

Mrs. J. R. Singleton from Piedmont spent Sunday here with Mrs. Alice Huff.

Mrs. Wm. Thompson and children are visiting her mother, Mrs. Riley at Hendrickson.

Mrs. Fred Farr, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Edna, and Miss Lorene Brexington, went to St. Louis last week. The girls returned home Sunday, but Mrs. Farr will undergo an operation at Centenary Hospital for trouble in the nose and head, occasioned by an attack of the grip last winter.

We are very fortunate to have a night man put at work in the railroad station here again. Operator Wm. Thompson, who has been working at Vulcan, is in charge.

Miss Jessie Huff took charge of her school at the Roberts school house Monday morning. There is a vacancy in the primary room because of the marriage of Miss Freda Hickman, who had been employed to teach that department. Miss Huff will manage both rooms until another teacher can be secured.

Miss Martha Kelly is teaching the Cove school this year.

Miss Esther Myers from St. Louis is visiting her aunt, Mrs. N. A. Farr.

Mr. Perry Reed has returned from St. Louis, where he recently underwent an operation for appendicitis, and is very much improved. His friends are glad to have him home again.

Glen Stevenson is employed in the bank as assistant to the cashier.

Chas. James is home from St. Louis. Irvin Davis, who is employed at White House, near St. Louis, spent Sunday here with his wife.

Ed Schmidt has gone to St. Louis, where he is employed. His family will join him there later.

The program given at the M. E. church last Tuesday night in the interest of the W. C. T. U. was quite a success. Mrs. Edie Reed, who had charge of the children, deserves much praise for the training she gave them. Each child responded promptly and the music was good. The Flag Drill was fine. The program was on the Flower Mission, and the church was very nicely decorated in the National colors and flowers.

The W. C. T. U. convention will convene here August 13th. Quite a few visitors and delegates are expected to be here.

Quite a few letters were received this morning from the boys "over there." The folks were getting very anxious to hear from them, as it had been six weeks since some of them had written. Letters came from Gilbert and Leslie Wallis, Ralph Davis, Everett Myers, Jesse B. Jackson and Ed Reed. They were all well and feeling fine. We are certainly glad our boys have so far escaped the awful cruelty of the Hun.

Our cemetery here is in a very bad condition. A cyclone this summer uprooted trees and there are dead limbs and brush scattered over the graves. We must see that it is cleared off and I am asking everybody to help. It is a disgrace to our town to have it in this condition, so we will meet there and clean it off on Saturday, August 24th. Don't forget to tell everybody and those who live out of town and can't come, please send us a remittance. ISAAC.

Bellevue News.

Mrs. Virginia McColl returned Sunday from a week's visit with friends in St. Louis.

Miss Corine White of Caledonia spent Tuesday in the home of C. F. Shelton.

Edwin Burnham of Ironton is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gentry Moyer.

Mrs. Ed. Marceal and daughter, Miss Ruth, also Mrs. A. E. Chambers, all of De Soto spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Vern Huskey.

Mrs. Fred Bollinger and children of Greenville are visiting relatives here.

J. C. Middleton of Irondale was a business visitor Friday and Saturday.

M. C. Speplens spent Sunday with a friend in Cape Girardeau, he expects to go to training camp in a few days.

Miss Lizzie Russell took the teachers examination in Ironton Friday and Saturday.

R. J. McColl and John Russell have completed the two months training for machinists in St. Louis and are home for a few days. They expect to be sent on to Camp the latter part of the week, but do not yet know their destination.

Wm. A. Townsend spent a few days the week with relatives in Poplar Bluff.

Dr. W. A. Crenshaw of Caledonia is doing dental work here this week.

A few of our valley folks spent Sunday at the Heights. ALPHA.

Job Work at the REGISTER office.